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An Act for enlarging the Term and Powers granted by an Act, paſſed in the Twenty ſixth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for repairing ſeveral Roads leading into the City of* Glaſgow, ſo far as the ſame relates to certain Roads mentioned in the ſaid Act; and alſo to enlarge the Term and Powers granted by an Act, paſſed in the Twenty ſeventh Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act to explain, amend, and render more effectual an Act, paſſed in the Twenty ſixth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty*, intituled, An Act for repairing ſeveral Roads leading into the City of *Glaſgow*; and to repair ſeveral other Roads leading into the ſaid City; and for building a Bridge croſs the River of *Inchinnan*.

WHEREAS by an Act paſſed in the Twenty ſixth Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, An Act for repairing ſeveral Roads leading into the City of *Glaſgow*; and alſo an Act paſſed in the Twenty ſeventh Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, to explain, amend, and render more effectual, the ſaid Act; ſeveral Tolls and Duties are granted to the Truſtees therein named, for repairing the Roads from the Village of Gorbals to Floak Bridge, Preamble, reciting an Act of 26 *Geo.* II. and 27 *Geo.* II.

by Corshill and Cathcart; and from Cathcart to the Kirk of Carmunnock; and from the said Village of Gorbals to Easter Grange, by March Town, Pollackshaws, and Snypes; and from Pollackshaws to the Kirk of Eastwood, and leading from the Three Mile House to Clarke's Bridge, by Paisley and Quarreltown; and the Road branching out of the same, and leading to Johnston's Bridge, for the Term of Twenty one Years, with a Power to borrow the Sum of Three thousand Pounds for repairing the said Roads: And whereas a large Sum of Money has been borrowed in pursuance of the Powers granted by the said Acts to the said Trustees, which has been duly applied for the Purposes intended thereby, and great Progress hath been made in repairing the said Roads; but it is impossible to raise a sufficient Sum of Money effectually to repair the same, without further Prolongation of the Term granted by the said Acts: And whereas there are several Roads leading to the City of Glasgow, through the County of Renfrew, not comprized within the said Acts, which are in a ruinous Condition, and not capable of being repaired by the ordinary Course of Law: And whereas it will be for the Advantage of the County, and also the Publick in general, that the said Roads shall be effectually repaired; May it therefore please your most Excellent Majesty, that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said Acts of the Twenty first and Twenty seventh Years of the Reign of his present Majesty, so far as they, or either of them, extend to any Road or Roads under the Direction of the said Trustees, and all and every the Clauses, Powers, Authorities, Articles, Rules, Penalties, and Forfeitures, therein contained (except such as are altered or varied by this Act) shall continue, and be executed, during the Continuance of the said former Acts; and after the Expiration of the Term thereby granted, for and during the Term of Twenty one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, subject to the Alterations, Amendments, Provisions, and other Matters, in this present Act contained; which said additional Term shall be, and the same is hereby, made subject to the Payment of the Money borrowed and due, or to be borrowed, upon the Credit of the said former Acts and this present Act, for the Intents and Purposes of the said former Acts, and this present Act.

The recited Acts further continued, from the Expiration thereof, for the further Term of 21 Years;

Subject to the Payment of the subsisting Debt.

And whereas the Road leading from Renfrew to Greenock, by Corſhill, and by the Side of the River Clyde, and by Port Glaſgow; and alſo the Road leading from Pollockſhaws to Driffenbeg, by Eaſtwood Kirk and Pollock Town; and alſo the Road leading from Williamwood to Eggleſhame Kirk; and alſo the Road leading from Renfrew to Paiſley; and alſo the Road leading from Inchinnan to Houſtoun; and alſo the Road leading from Johnſton's Bridge, by Kilbarchan, to Port Glaſgow, are all publick Roads, and in a ruinous Condition, and not capable of being repaired by the ordinary Courſe of Law; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the aforeſaid Truſtees, appointed to put in Execution the ſaid Acts of the Twenty firſt and Twenty ſeventh Years of his preſent Majeſty, ſhall be, and they are hereby declared to be, Truſtees for repairing and amending the ſaid laſt-mentioned Roads; and that the ſaid Acts of the Twenty firſt and Twenty ſeventh Years of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, and all and every the Clauſes, Powers, Authorities, Articles, Rules, Penalties, and Forfeitures, therein contained (except ſuch as are altered or varied by this Act) ſhall be executed by the ſaid Truſtees upon, and in reſpect of, the ſaid laſt-mentioned Roads, in as full and ample Manner, during the Continuance of the ſaid Acts of the Twenty firſt and Twenty ſeventh Years of his preſent Majeſty, as if the ſaid Roads had been particularly ſpecified and mentioned in the ſaid Acts of the Twenty firſt and Twenty ſeventh Years of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, or in either of them; any thing in the ſaid Acts, or either of them, or in any other Act of Parliament contained to the contrary notwithſtanding; and after the Expiration of the aforeſaid Term, for and during the further Term of Twenty one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Seſſion of Parliament.

Truſtees for the laſt-mentioned Roads, who are to put recited Acts in Execution with reſpect to the ſaid Roads.

The ſaid Acts further continued for 21 Years.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That the ſaid Truſtees, appointed by virtue of the ſaid former Acts for repairing the ſaid Roads, or their Succeſſors, or any Five or more of them, at a publick Meeting aſſembled, ſhall and may erect, or cauſe to be erected, One or more Gate or Gates, Turnpike or Turnpikes, in or acroſs all or any of the aforeſaid Roads herein laſt recited; and alſo ſuch Number of Toll-houſes as they ſhall think fit in or upon the ſame, and demand and take the Tolls or Duties following at the ſeveral Turnpikes to be erected by them upon the reſpective Roads aforeſaid, before any Coach, Chariot, Berlin, Landau, Calaſh, Chaiſe, Waggon, Cart, or other Carriage whatſoever,

Truſtees may erect Turnpikes and Toll-houſes, &c. and take the following Tolls thereat.

or any Horse, Mare, Gelding, or other Cattle whatsoever, pass through the same; that is to say, For going through the Gates or Turnpikes to be set up or erected in or across the said Road leading from Renfrew to Greenock, the Tolls and Duties following; that is to say,

Tolls to be taken on the Road from *Renfrew* to *Greenock*.

For every Coach, Berlin, Landau, Calash, Chaise, Chair, or Hearse, drawn by Six Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of Two Shillings and Six Pence; and drawn by Four Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of One Shilling and Eight Pence; and drawn by Three Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of One Shilling and Three Pence; and drawn by Two Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of Ten Pence; and drawn by One Horse, Mare, or Gelding, the Sum of Six Pence.

For every Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, drawn by Six Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Three Shillings; and drawn by Five Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Two Shillings and Six Pence; and drawn by Four Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Two Shillings; and drawn by Three Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of One Shilling and Six Pence; and drawn by Two Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Six Pence; and drawn by One Horse, or other Beast of Draught, the Sum of Three Pence.

For every Sledge without Wheels, the Sum of Two Pence.

For every Horse, Mare, Gelding, or Mule, laden or unladen, and not drawing, the Sum of Two Pence.

For every Ass laden or unladen, and not drawing, the Sum of One Penny.

For every Drove of Horses or Fillies unshod, the Sum of Ten Pence per Score; and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number.

For every Drove of Oxen or Neat Cattle, the Sum of Five Pence per Score; and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number.

For every Drove of Calves, Hogs, Sheep, or Lambs, the Sum of Two Pence Halfpenny per Score; and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number.

And for going through the Gates and Turnpikes erected and to be erected by them upon each of the several Roads leading from Pollockshaws to Driffenbeg, and from Williamwood to Eglesham Kirk, and from Renfrew to Paisley,

Paisley, and from Inchannan to Houstoun, and from Johnston's Bridge, by Kilbarchan to Port Glasgow, the Tolls or Duties following; that is to say,

For every Coach, Chariot, Berlin, Landau, Calash, Chaise, Chair, or Hearse, drawn by Six Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of One Shilling and Four Pence; and drawn by Four Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of One Shilling; and drawn by Three Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of Ten Pence; and drawn by Two Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of Six Pence; and drawn by One Horse, Mare, Gelding, or Mule, the Sum Three Pence. Tolls to be taken on the Road from *Polieckshaws* to *Driffenbeg*, and from *Williamwood* to *Eggleshame*, &c.

For every Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, drawn by Six Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Two Shillings; and drawn by Five Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of One Shilling and Eight Pence; and drawn by Four Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of One Shilling and Four Pence; and drawn by Three Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Eight Pence; and drawn by Two Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Four Pence; and drawn by One Horse, or other Beast Draught, the Sum of Two Pence.

For every Sledge without Wheels, the Sum of One Penny Halfpenny.

For every Horse, Mare, Gelding, Mule, or Ass, laden or unladen, and not drawing, the Sum of One Penny.

For every Drove of Oxen or Neat Cattle, the Sum of Five Pence per Score; and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number.

For every Drove of Horses or Fillies unshod, the Sum of Ten Pence per Score; and so in Proportion for any less Number.

And for every Drove of Calves, Hogs, Sheep, Lambs, or Goats, the Sum of Two Pence Halfpenny per Score, and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees appointed to put the said former Acts, or this present Act in Execution, or their Successors, or such Person or Persons as they shall, from time to time, appoint, shall, and they are hereby impowered to demand and take at all and every Turnpike or Turnpikes erected or to be erected by virtue of the said former Acts, or this present Tolls payable by Waggons, &c. with narrow Wheels.

sent Act, the Sum of Forty Shillings Sterling for every Waggon, Wain, or Cart, passing through any of the said Turnpikes, drawn by more than Two Horses or Beasts of Draught, the Fellies of the Wheels whereof shall be of a less Breadth or Gauge than Seven Inches; nor shall any Waggon, Wain, or Cart, be intitled to any of the Exemptions from the Payment of Tolls granted by the said former Acts, or either of them, upon any of the Roads under the Direction of the said Trustees, such Waggon, Wain, or Cart, being drawn by more than One Horse or Beast of Draught, unless the Fellies of such Waggon, Wain, or Cart, be of the Breadth or Gauge of Seven Inches; any thing in the said former Acts, or in any other Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

All narrow Wheels of such Carriages excepted out of the Exemptions from Tolls.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, all and every Person and Persons, who shall be infeoft in the Superiority or Property, or possessed as Proprietor or Life-renter of Lands, valued in the Tax Roll for the County of Renfrew, to the Extent of Two hundred Pounds Scots, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be, added to and joined with the said Trustees nominated and appointed by the said former Acts, or either of them, for repairing the Roads directed to be repaired by the said former Acts, and this present Act.

Freeholders of 200*l.* Scots, intitled to act as Trustees.

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person shall be qualified or capable of acting as a Trustee in any Case in the Execution of this Act, or the said former Acts, in relation to the said Roads, unless he shall be infeoft in a Superiority or Property, or possessed as Proprietor in Life Rent of Lands valued in the Tax Roll of the County of Renfrew, to the Extent of One hundred Pounds Scots per Annum; excepting the eldest Sons and Heirs Apparent of Persons, who are infeoft in Lands of the Extent and Valuation aforesaid, unless the Trustee so appointed be possessed of a Personal Estate of Two hundred Pounds, lawful Money of Great Britain; and if any Person or Persons who shall be deemed unqualified, or made incapable to act for the Causes aforesaid, shall nevertheless presume to act, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, every such Person or Persons shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay the Sum of Ten Pounds Sterling, to be recovered and applied in Manner herein after directed.

Qualification of Trustees.

Penalty on Persons acting, if not qualified.

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And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall and they are hereby required to take such Securities from their Treasurers, to be appointed for the Purposes of the said former Acts and this present Act, for the due Execution of their Offices, as to the said respective Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall seem meet. Treasurer, &c. to give Security, &c.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Tolls hereby granted and made payable, are and shall be from and after the said First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, vested in the said Trustees for putting the said former Acts and this present Act in Execution; and the same and every Part thereof shall be applied and disposed of, and assigned, to and for the several Uses, Intents, and Purposes, and in such Manner, as in the said former Acts and this present Act the Tolls respectively granted are directed to be applied, and to no other Use or Purpose whatsoever. Tolls vested in the Trustees.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Right, Interest, and Property of all and every the said Turnpikes, Toll-houses, and Premisses, erected or to be erected by virtue of the said former Acts, or this present Act, shall be vested in the said Trustees, for the Uses and Purposes in this and the aforesaid recited Acts mentioned. Property of the Turnpikes, &c. vested in Trustees.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, to erect, or cause to be erected, One or more Gate or Gates, Turnpike or Turnpikes, upon the Side or Sides of all or any of the aforesaid Roads by this Act directed to be repaired, and across any Lane leading out of, or into the same; and there to take and receive such Tolls as are by this Act granted and made payable, or such Part thereof, as the said Trustees shall think reasonable; but so as that a Ticket, received at such Side-bar, shall intitle the Receiver to pass through the next Turnpike on the same Road Toll-free, in case he shall have Occasion to pass through such Turnpike the same Day. Trustees may erect Side-gates, and take Tolls thereat; so as the same do not extend to a Double Charge.

Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Bar or Turnpike shall be erected upon any of the Roads leading from Paisley to Renfrew, or from Houstoun to Inchinnan, which shall stop or let any Cattle or Carriages to pass freely on the aforesaid Road from Renfrew to Greenock. No Gate to be erected between *Paisley* and *Renfrew*, or *Houstoun* and *Inchinnan*.

And whereas the Sum of Three thousand Pounds, directed to be borrowed as aforesaid, has by Experience

been found insufficient to answer the Purposes thereby intended; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the said First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees, appointed by the said former Acts, or this present Act, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, and they are hereby authorized and impowered, to borrow, according to the Rules and Directions laid down and prescribed in the said former Acts, or either of them, any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding in the Whole the Sum of Six thousand Pounds Sterling, at an Interest not exceeding Five Pounds per Centum per Annum, upon the Credit of the Tolls granted by the said former Acts and this present Act; which said Sum of Six thousand Pounds shall be applied in the same Proportions and Quotas, towards the Repair of the several Roads directed to be repaired by the said former Acts, under the Direction of the said Trustees, as the said Sum of Three thousand Pounds is directed to be applied by the said former Acts, or either of them, and not otherwise.

Trustees impowered to borrow 6000 *l.* at 5 *l. per Cent.* Interest, on the Tolls.

The said Sum to be applied as the 3000 *l.* granted by the former Acts.

Provided always, That a proportional Part of the said Six thousand Pounds shall be laid out and applied in repairing and amending the Roads directed to be amended by this Act (the Road from Renfrew to Greenock excepted) the said Proportion to be fixed and ascertained to each Road, in the same Manner as the Proportions of Money to be laid out on each of the said Roads, directed to be repaired by the said former Acts, or either of them, are directed to be fixed and ascertained.

A Proportion thereof to be applied in Repair of the Roads to be amended by this Act.

Provided always, That the said Sum of Three thousand Pounds, directed to be borrowed on the Credit of the Tolls granted by the said former Acts, or either of them, for repairing the said Roads (the Road from Renfrew to Greenock excepted) or such Part thereof as shall be due and owing upon the Credit of the said Tolls, shall be, and shall be esteemed and taken to be, Part of the said Sum of Six thousand Pounds, allowed to be borrowed by this Act; so that the whole Debt at any Time on these Roads, shall not exceed the Sum of Six thousand Pounds; any thing in this Act, or the said former Acts contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

The 3000 *l.* before borrowed, to be deemed Part of the said 6000 *l.*

And be it further enacted, That from and after the said First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees appointed by the said former Acts and this present Act, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting

1000 *l.* may be borrowed on the Tolls from *Renfrew* to *Greenock*.

Meeting assembled, and they are hereby authorized and impowered to borrow on the Credit of the Tolls or Duties levied, or to be levied on the Road from Renfrew to Greenock, the Sum of One thousand Pounds Sterling, at an Interest not exceeding Five Pounds per Centum per Annum; which several Sums to be borrowed in pursuance of this Act (after paying the Charges and Expences incurred in obtaining this and the former Acts of Parliament) shall be applied and disposed of for amending and repairing the several Roads on the Credit of the Tolls whereof the same shall be borrowed; or for repairing the Bridges thereon, or erecting new Ones where the same shall be wanted; or for discharging the Salaries of the Officers appointed to put this Act in Execution.

Interest not to exceed 5 *l. per Cent.*

General Application of the Monies borrowed.

Provided always, and be it further enacted and declared, That when any Part of the said several Sums to be borrowed as aforesaid, shall be paid off to the Person or Persons advancing or lending the same, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, to borrow another Sum of Money equal to that by them so paid off as aforesaid.

Upon paying off particular Creditors, Trustees may borrow a Sum equal to what they have so paid off.

Provided always, That the Sum or Sums so to be borrowed on the said Tolls or Duties, shall not at any Time exceed in the Whole the Sum allowed to be borrowed by this Act on the Credit of the Tolls or Duties of the several Roads as aforesaid.

Money borrowed, not to exceed the Sum allowed.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees, by the said former Acts and this present Act appointed, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, may, and they are hereby impowered to assign and make over the several Tolls and Duties to be levied on the respective Roads aforesaid, to any Person or Persons from whom the Money shall be borrowed for the Use of the said several Roads, as a Security for Repayment of the same; but so as that the Tolls and Duties of each several Road shall be liable to the Payment of the Money borrowed for repairing and amending the same only, and not to be subject and liable for any such Sum of Money borrowed for the Use of any other Roads; which several Assignments of the Tolls, as aforesaid, shall be entered in a Book to be kept for that Purpose, and shall, at all reasonable Times, be open to the Perusal of any Person or Persons, without Fee or Reward.

Trustees may assign over the Tolls for Money borrowed.

Provided always, That no Money shall be borrowed by the said Trustees on the Credit of the aforesaid Tolls, without

Order of 5 Trustees to be made for borrowing Money.

without the Order of Five of the said Trustees, at a General Meeting assembled; Notice of which Meeting, declaring the Purpose thereof, shall be given in One of the weekly News Papers published at Glasgow, at least Fourteen Days before borrowing such Money.

Notice to be given of a Meeting for that Purpose.

And whereas the Number of Trustees appointed for transacting of Business, in regard to the said Roads, by the said Two Acts, is in many Cases Seven; and it has, by Experience, been found difficult to assemble such a Number of Trustees: For Remedy whereof, be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the said First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, any Five of the said Trustees, appointed or to be appointed by the said former Acts, or this present Act, for repairing the said Roads, shall be, and they are hereby declared to be, a sufficient Number for executing all and every the Powers, Authorities, Matters, or Things, by the said former Acts, or either of them, or by this present Act, vested in or directed to be done or performed by the said Trustees; any thing in the said former Acts, or either of them, contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Five Trustees impowered to act.

Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Part of the Tolls of any of the respective Roads in the former Acts, or this present Act, shall be laid out in repairing any other Roads, but only for repairing and keeping in Repair its own Road; any thing in the said former Acts, or this Act, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Tolls to be applied in Repair of the Road where collected.

Provided always, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend to prejudice or lessen the Securities already given upon the Credit of the said former Acts, or either of them, without the Consent of the several Persons who have advanced or lent Money on the Credit of the said former Acts, or either of them; and that when the said Roads are sufficiently repaired, and the Debts contracted on the Credit of the said Tolls are paid, with a proportional Part of the Expence of procuring this Act, and the Expence of Management, that then the Tolls shall cease, except so much as is necessary to keep the Roads in Repair.

Security of former Creditors, not to be lessened without their Consent.

When the Tolls shall cease.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall and may, and they are hereby required to cause the Gates or Turnpikes erected at Shaws and Williamwood, to be removed to the Distance of Six Miles from the Gate or Turnpike erected at Gorbals, or to be totally abolished, so soon as the Money laid out in making and repairing the said Roads shall be repaid.

The Gates at *Shaws* and *Williamwood*, to be removed or abolished.

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And whereas it may be convenient to alter the Course of the Road leading from Gorbals to the Kirk of Carmunnack, by Cathcart, directed to be made by the Acts of the Twenty sixth and Twenty seventh Years of His present Majesty's Reign, before recited, and to carry the same from the Kirk of Cathcart to the Kirk of Carmunnack aforesaid; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees, by the said former Acts and this present Act, appointed for repairing the said Road; and they, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, are hereby impowered, if they shall think fit, to alter the Course of the said Road, and to carry, amend, and repair the same, from the Kirk of Cathcart directly, and in the shortest Course, to the Kirk of Carmunnack aforesaid, and with the like Powers and Authorities as the said Trustees, by the said former Acts and this present Act, are impowered and authorized to amend any other Road, by the said former Acts and this present Act directed to be repaired.

Trustees may alter the Course of the Road from *Cathcart* to *Carmunnack*.

And whereas the Road leading from the Town of Renfrew to the Town of Greenock, directed to be repaired by this Act, leads across the River of Inchinnan, where the Rivers of Cart and Gryff join, which is only passable by a dangerous and incommodious Ferry: And whereas the building a Bridge or Bridges over the said River or Rivers, would greatly tend to facilitate the Passage of the said River or Rivers, and promote the Trade of the Country, but the same cannot be done without the Aid of Parliament; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees, appointed by the said Acts of the Twenty sixth and Twenty seventh Years of His present Majesty's Reign, or by this present Act, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, shall be, and they are hereby impowered to design, direct, order, and build, a Bridge or Bridges cross the said River or Rivers, in or near the Place where the said Ferry is at present, and to support the same when built, and to build Abutments to the said Bridge or Bridges, on each Side of the said River or Rivers; and that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, and they are hereby impowered, at any Time or Times after the First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, to design, assign, and lay out, how and in what Manner the said intended Bridge or Bridges shall be made, erected, and built, and the Ways and Passages to and from the same, and to preserve and keep in Repair such Ways and

Trustees impowered to build a Bridge cross the River *Inchinnan*;

and design the Roads that shall lead thereto.

and Passages, from time to time, and to make Contracts, and do all Matters and Things for carrying on and effecting the Purposes aforesaid, and to cause the same to be done and perfected accordingly.

Free Passage of 35 Feet to be left for the Water thro' the Arches.

And, to the Intent the Navigation of the said River or Rivers may receive no Prejudice, be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That when the said Bridge or Bridges are built across the said River or Rivers, there shall remain free and open Passage for the Water through the Arches or Passages under the said Bridge or Bridges, of Thirty five Feet at least, within the present Banks of the said River or Rivers.

Penalty of damaging the Bridge or Works;

And, for preventing the wilful and malicious damaging or destroying the said Bridge or Bridges, or any Part thereof, or hindering or interrupting the building of the same, be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall wilfully or maliciously damage or destroy the said Bridge or Bridges, or any Part of them, or attempt so to do, or shall unlawfully, or without any Authority from the said Trustees, or their Successors, remove or take away any Works thereunto belonging, or in any wise direct or procure the same to be done, whereby the said Bridge or Bridges, or the Works thereof, may be damaged; or shall abuse or maltreat any of the Toll-gatherers, or shall rescue any Person in Custody for any of the said Offences, every Person or Persons so offending in any of the Premisses, and being thereof lawfully convicted, in any Prosecution ordered by the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, by the Oath of One or more credible Witnesses, before any Two or more of the Justices of the Peace of the County where the Offence shall be committed, such Person or Persons so offending shall not only pay the whole Damages and Expences sustained by the said Trustees, but also be publickly whipped or scourged through the Town of Renfrew, upon a Market Day, between the Hours of Ten and Twelve in the Forenoon; and if any such Person shall offend a Second Time, and be thereof convicted as aforesaid, it shall be lawful for any Two or more of the Justices of the Peace of the County where the Offence shall be committed, to adjudge such Person or Persons to be imprisoned in the nearest Common Gaol, for any Time not exceeding Six Calendar Months, and to be publickly whipped or scourged as aforesaid.

and of abusing Toll-gatherers, or rescuing Offenders.

Penalty of a Second Offence.

And forasmuch as the erecting and building the Bridge or Bridges before mentioned, and the repairing, preserving, and supporting the same, and the purchasing of the

Right of the Right Honourable John Lord Sempill, in the said Ferry, will be attended with considerable Charge and Expence, be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be paid to the said Trustees, appointed by the said former Acts or this present Act, or their Successors, or such Person or Persons as they, or any Five or more of them, shall appoint, for a Pontage, or in the Name of a Toll, before any Passage over the said Bridge shall be permitted, the several Sums following; that is to say,

Pontage to be paid for passing the Bridge.

The Tolls.

For every Coach, Chariot, Berlin, Landau, Calash, Chaise, Chair, or Hearse, drawn by Six Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of Three Shillings; and drawn by Four Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of Two Shillings and Six Pence; and drawn by Three Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of One Shilling and Six Pence; and drawn by Two Horses, Mares, Geldings, or Mules, the Sum of One Shilling; and drawn by One Horse, Mare, or Gelding, the Sum of Nine Pence.

For every Waggon, Wain, Cart, or other Carriage, drawn by Six Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Three Shillings and Nine Pence; and drawn by Five Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Three Shillings; and drawn by Four Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of One Shilling and Six Pence; and drawn by Three or Two Horses, Oxen, or other Beasts of Draught, the Sum of Nine Pence; and drawn by One Horse, Ox, or other Beast of Draught, the Sum of Four Pence.

For every Sledge without Wheels, the Sum of Three Pence.

For every Horse, Mare, Gelding, Mule, or Ass, laden or unladen, and not drawing, the Sum of Three Pence.

For every Drove of Oxen or Neat Cattle, or Horses and Fillies unbroke, the Sum of One Shilling and Three Pence per Score; and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number.

For every Drove of Calves, Sheep, Lambs, Hogs, or Goats, the Sum of Seven Pence Halfpenny per Score; and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number.

For every Foot Passenger, One Penny.

Which said respective Sums of Money shall and may be demanded and taken in the Name of Pontage, or as a Toll or Duty; and the Monies to be received as aforesaid

Application of the Money.

said are hereby vested in the said Trustees; and the same, and every Part thereof, shall be paid, applied, disposed of, and assigned, to and for the several Uses and Purposes of procuring this Act, purchasing the Right of the said Ferry, building the said Bridge or Bridges, and repairing, amending, and keeping the same in Repair, and defraying the Expence of collecting the said Toll or Pontage, and paying the Principal and Interest of the Money borrowed upon the Credit of the said Toll or Pontage, and to no other Use or Purpose whatsoever.

Tolls to be levied by Distress and Sale.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees, or their Successors, or any Five or more of them, are hereby impowered, by themselves, or by any Person or Persons by them, or any Five or more of them, thereunto authorized, to levy the said Toll or Pontage hereby required to be paid, upon any Person or Persons who shall, after Demand thereof made, neglect or refuse to pay the same, as aforesaid, or to deny or hinder any Passage over the said Bridge, until Payment thereof; which said Toll or Pontage shall and may be levied by Distress of any Horse or Horses, or other Cattle, or Goods, upon which such Toll or Pontage is by this Act imposed, or upon any other of the Goods and Chattles of such Person or Persons as ought to pay the same; and all such Horses, and other Cattle, or Goods, may be detained, until such Toll or Duty, with the reasonable Charge of such Distress, shall be paid; and it shall be lawful for the Person or Persons so distraining, after the Space of Four Days after such Distress made or taken, to sell the Cattle, or other Goods or Chattles so distrained, for the Payment of the said Toll or Pontage; rendering to the Owner or Owners thereof the Overplus, upon Demand, after Satisfaction of the said Toll or Pontage, and the reasonable Charges in or about making such Distress and Sale, and keeping the same, shall be deducted and paid.

Distress may be sold after 4 Days.

And, to the end that the said Tolls and Duties may be duly accounted for, be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall be lawful to and for the said Trustees, and their Successors, or any Five or more of them, at any Time or Times hereafter, by any Writing or Writings under the Hands of any Five or more of them, to nominate and appoint such Person or Persons to be Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors, of the said Tolls or Pontage, as they shall think fit; and all Persons by this Act liable to pay the said Tolls or Pontage, or any of them, are hereby required to pay the same, after the Rates aforesaid, to such Receiver or Receivers, Col-

Trustees to appoint Officers.

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lector or Collectors aforesaid: And all such Receivers and Collectors shall respectively pay the same to the Hands of such Person or Persons as the said Trustees, or their Successors, or any Five or more of them, shall, from time to time, direct or appoint; and shall also upon Oath, if thereunto required by the said Trustees, and their Successors, or any Five or more of them, before any Justice or Justices of the Peace for the said County of Renfrew (which Oath such Justice or Justices is and are hereby impowered and required to administer) from time to time give in a true, exact, and perfect Account in Writing, under their respective Hands, of all Monies which they, and every or any of them, shall, to such Time, have received, paid, and disbursed, by virtue of this Act, or by reason of their respective Offices; for which Oath no Fee or Reward shall be taken: And the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall and may, out of the Monies arising by the said Tolls or Pontage, or the Money borrowed on the Credit thereof, make such Allowance unto such Receiver and Receivers, Collector and Collectors, and all other Officers and Persons to be employed by or under the said Trustees, with Regard to the said Bridge, for their Care and Pains in the Execution of their respective Offices, as the said Trustees shall think fit and reasonable; and in case any such Receiver or Receivers, Collector or Collectors of the aforesaid Tolls or Pontage, so to be paid as aforesaid, or any of them, shall not make such Account and Payment, as by this Act is directed, according to the Orders and Directions of the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, then such Justice or Justices aforesaid shall commit the Party or Parties to the Common Gaol of the County of Renfrew, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize, until they shall have made a true Account and Payment as aforesaid, or shall have compounded for the Debt with the said Commissioners; which Composition the said Commissioners, or any Five or more of them, are hereby impowered to make.

Officers to account upon Oath.

Trustees to allow Officers Salaries.

Officers not making Account and Payment, to be committed.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall, with an Intent to evade the Payment of all or any Part of the said Toll or Pontage, take off, or cause to be taken off, any Horse, Mare, Gelding, or other Beast or Beasts, from any Carriage whatsoever; or shall, with the like Intent, leave upon any of the Roads near the said intended Bridge, any Carriage whatsoever, or any Horse, Mare, Gelding, or other Beast; or shall, with the like Intent, secrete any Goods, or other Things, chargeable with the said Toll or Pontage, by Means whereof the same shall or may be

Penalty on Persons taking off Horses, &c. to avoid Payment of the Tolls, &c.

avoided or lessened; each and every Person or Persons, in any of the Manners aforesaid offending, and being thereof convicted before One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace for the County where the Offence shall be committed, upon the Confession of the Party or Parties, or upon the Oath of One or more Witness or Witnesses (which Oath such Justice or Justices are hereby impowered and required to administer, without Fee or Reward) shall, for every such Offence, forfeit and pay the Sum of Twenty Shillings, to be recovered as other Penalties are by this Act to be levied and recovered, and to be applied towards repairing the said Bridge.

Application of the Money.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every such Sum and Sums of Money as shall be advanced or borrowed for the Purposes of building the said Bridge or Bridges, and maintaining and repairing the same, and purchasing the Right of the said Ferry, or which shall be raised or received by the said Tolls or Pontage aforesaid, shall be, by the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, applied and disposed of to the building and erecting the said Bridge or Bridges over the said River or Rivers, with such Materials, and in such Manner, as the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall judge most convenient; and for supporting, repairing, and amending, the same, from time to time, and other the necessary Purposes of this Act relating to the said Bridge, and for purchasing the Right of the said Ferry (a proportional Part of the necessary Charges of passing this Act, and the Charges of managing, collecting, and receiving the said Tolls or Pontage, from time to time, being first deducted) and that there shall be provided and kept by the said Treasurer, or Receiver or Receivers, to be appointed pursuant to this Act, One or more Book or Books, in which all Monies received by him or them, in relation to the said Bridge or Bridges, and all Payments and Disbursements out of the same, by Order or Direction of the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them (all which Orders and Directions shall be under their Hands in Writing) shall, from time to time, be fairly set down and entered, truly expressing the Times when, and the Names of the Persons respectively from, or to, or by whom, the same were so received or disbursed, and for what Uses and Purposes; and that Twice, at least, in every Year, the Accounts from the said Books shall be fairly drawn out, stated, and signed, by the said Treasurer or Treasurers, Receiver or Receivers, and delivered by him or them to the said Trustees at their General Meeting; which said Trustees, or

Receipts and Payments to be entered in a Book.

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any Five or more of them, are hereby impowered to discharge such Treasurer or Treasurers, Receiver or Receivers, so accounting, of all such Monies as he or they shall so as aforesaid truly and fairly account for.

And, to the end a sufficient Sum of Money may be speedily raised for the Purposes last mentioned, be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall be lawful for the said Trustees, and their Successors, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, and they are hereby impowered, at any Time after the First Day of June, One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, to borrow any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Four thousand Pounds Sterling, at an Interest not exceeding Five Pounds per Centum per Annum, upon the Credit of the said Tolls or Pontage; which said Sum shall be applied, in the First Place, towards paying off a proportional Part of the Charge and Expence of obtaining this Act of Parliament; and the Remainder thereof for purchasing the Right of the said Ferry, building the said Bridge or Bridges, and maintaining and repairing the same, and other necessary Works relating thereto.

Trustees may borrow 4000*l.* upon the Pontage Tolls.

Application of the Money borrowed.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, may, and they are hereby impowered to assign or make over the Whole, or any Part of the said Tolls or Pontage by this Act imposed, for passing over the said Bridge or Bridges, and hereby vested in them, to any Person or Persons from whom the Money shall be so borrowed, as a Security for Repayment of the Sum or Sums of Money so lent by them, and the Interest thereof; and such Assignments of the Tolls and Pontage, for all and every Sum or Sums of Money so borrowed, shall be entered in a Book to be kept for that Purpose; which Book shall be seen and perused, at all seasonable Times, by any Person or Persons, without Fee or Reward.

Tolls may be assigned for Money borrowed.

Provided always, That no Money shall be borrowed by the said Trustees, on the Credit of the said Tolls or Pontage, unless Notice for that Purpose shall be given in some of the publick News Papers published at Glasgow, at least Fourteen Days before the borrowing of such Money.

14 Days Notice to be given for borrowing Money.

Provided always, and be it further enacted and declared, That when the said Sum borrowed as aforesaid, shall in Whole or in Part be applied or accounted for to the respective Trustees, at a General Meeting assembled, and by their Order paid off to the Person or Persons advancing or lending the same, it shall and may be lawful to

When the said Monies shall be paid off and accounted for, the Trustees may borrow a like Sum.

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and for the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, so assembled as aforesaid, and they are hereby authorized to borrow another Sum of Money, equal to that by them so paid off, as aforesaid.

Money borrowed, not to exceed 4000*l.*

Provided always, That the Sum or Sums to be so borrowed by the said Trustees on the Credit of the said Tolls or Pontage, shall not at any Time exceed in the Whole, the Sum of Four thousand Pounds Sterling.

Trustees may shut up, &c any Fordscross the Rivers.

And, for preventing the evading the Tolls and Pontage granted by the said former Acts and this present Act; be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners, or any Five or more of them, or such Person or Persons as they shall appoint, to destroy or shut up any Ford or Fords cross the said Rivers of Cart, Gryff, or Inchinnan, or any of them, as they shall think necessary, to prevent the evading of the said Tolls or Pontage; any Law, Custom, or Usage, to the contrary notwithstanding.

700*l.* to be paid to Lord *Sempill*, for his Interest in the Ferry, before the Bridge is opened, &c.

And whereas the Right Honourable John Lord Sempill is Proprietor of the said Ferry over the River Inchinnan, and is willing to surrender such his Right for the Service of the Publick, upon Payment of the Sum of Seven hundred Pounds; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees may and shall, and they are hereby authorized and required, out of the Money to be borrowed upon the Credit of the said Tolls or Pontage, to pay to the said Lord Sempill, before the said intended Bridge or Bridges shall be opened for Carriages, Cattle, Travellers, or Passengers on Foot, in Consideration for such his Right, the Sum of Seven hundred Pounds Sterling; and from and after the Payment of the said Seven hundred Pounds Sterling to the said Lord Sempill, or such Person or Persons as he shall appoint to receive the same, and not before, the Right of the said Lord Sempill, and his Heirs, to the said Ferry, shall absolutely cease and determine; any Law, Custom, or Usage, to the contrary notwithstanding: And that then and from thenceforth, it shall not be lawful for any Person or Persons to ferry over any Carriage, Beast, Cattle, or Passenger, within the Distance of One Mile above, and One Mile below the said Bridge or Bridges, so far as the River Inchinnan reaches, in order to evade the said Toll or Pontage, on Pain of forfeiting for every such Offence the Sum of Forty Shillings, to be recovered in Manner herein after mentioned.

And whereas the Proprietor of the Ferry and Ferry Boat of Inchinnan, and his Tenants, have been in constant Use of exacting and levying certain yearly Rates

and Duties, consisting of Money and Victual, out of the Lands, in the Parish of Inchinnan, adjacent to the River of Inchinnan, upon which the said Ferry is established, and which Rates and Duties are certain, known, and fixed; and in Consideration of these, the Heretors of the several Lands in the said Parish of Inchinnan, their Tenants and Families, residing on these Lands, have had immemorial Custom and Privilege of passing and repassing at the said Ferry at all Times when they had Occasion, without paying or being liable in any other Rate or Passage; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Heretors of the several Lands in the Parish of Inchinnan, their Tenants and Families residing on these Lands, shall have Liberty and Privilege of passing and repassing over the said Bridge with their Cattle, Goods, and Carriages, at all Times when they shall have Occasion, paying to the said Trustees, or Collector to be by them named, Three Times the Value of the present yearly Rates and Duties now payable by them, and that yearly, Year and Day, after the erecting and completing of the said Bridge or Bridges for the Year preceding, and shall be free of the other Tolls and Pontage hereby authorized to be levied at the said Bridge; but providing, that in case the said Heretors and Tenants shall neglect or omit to pay the said yearly Rates and Duties to the said Trustees, or their Collector, within Three Calendar Months after the same shall become due, the Heretor or Tenant so neglecting, shall from thenceforth forfeit and lose any Privilege he had of passing and repassing for paying the said yearly Rates, and shall thereafter be subjected in Payment of the other Duties hereby imposed.

Privileges of Heretors of *Inchinnan, &c.* to pass and repass the Bridge, paying a certain Sum yearly.

Privilege lost on Nonpayment, and the other Duties to be paid.

Provided also, That as soon as the Trustees shall lessen the Tolls or Pontage hereby granted on the said Bridge, the said yearly Rates and Duties shall likewise be lessened and diminished proportionally; and when the Toll or Pontage hereby granted shall cease, the said yearly Rates and Duties shall likewise cease.

Duties to be lessened proportionably with the Pontage, and to cease with it.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Person residing in the Parish of Inchinnan, claiming any Benefit by paying a yearly Rate, shall be allowed to carry any Goods, Cattle, or Carriage over the said Bridge, belonging to other Persons, but only his own proper Goods, Cattle, and Carriages, on pain of forfeiting for every such Offence, the Sum of Twenty Shillings Sterling, to be levied and applied as the other Penalties are by this Act directed to be levied and applied.

Penalty of carrying other Persons Goods, *&c.* to avoid the Pontage, not having a Claim to the Privilege of Parishioners.

Exemptions from Tolls.

And be it further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That no Tolls or Pontage shall be demanded for or in respect of any Horses or Carriages which shall be employed in carrying Stones or other Materials for repairing the Roads or Bridges, or carrying Stone, Lime, or Coal, or for the Persons driving or attending the same, into the Town of Renfrew, for the Use of the Inhabitants there, the Fellies of the Wheels of such Carriages being Seven Inches broad at least, and only drawn by Two Horses at most.

Commencement and Continuance of this Act.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Tolls or Pontage hereby granted, shall take place from the Time that the Brigs or Bridges shall be built and finished, so as Passengers, Cattle, and Carriages, can pass the same; and shall continue and be paid during the Continuance of the Term of Years for which the Tolls, on the Roads herein before recited, are granted by the Acts of the Twenty sixth and Twenty seventh Years of His present Majesty's Reign, and for the further Space and Term of Thirty one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, and no longer.

Trustees, with Consent of the Creditors, may lessen the Tolls.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That during the Continuance of the Term for paying the said Tolls and Pontage, the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them respectively, at a General Meeting assembled for that Purpose, may, and they are hereby impowered, with the Consent of such Person or Persons who shall have lent or advanced any Sum or Sums of Money upon the Credit of the said Toll or Pontage, to diminish or lessen the said Toll or Pontage hereby granted as they shall see Cause; but such Toll or Pontage shall not be diminished, unless such Meeting, and the Purposes thereof, shall be advertised in the Glasgow News Papers for the Space of One Month at least before such Meeting.

Trustees may lease, &c. the Tolls.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, may, and they are hereby authorized and impowered, by publick Roup, to set the Tolls or Pontage hereby granted, and vested in them respectively, in Whole, or in Parcels, from time to time, during the Continuance of this Act, by Lease, or otherways, for any Term not exceeding Three Years, for the highest Rate or Rates they can get for the same, to such Person or Persons as shall, from time to time, give good and sufficient Security for Payment of the Rents for which the Toll or Pontage shall be so set, as

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shall be approved by the Trustees, or any Five or more of them.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners, or any Five or more of them, and any Persons having Commission from them, to open Stone Quarries, dig, gather, take, and carry away, any Stones or Gravel, Furze, Heath, Sand, or other Materials, out of any Waste or Common in the said County, without paying any thing for the same; such Surveyor or Surveyors filling up and levelling all such Holes and Pits where any such Materials as aforesaid shall be digged, gathered, or taken, and from whence the same shall be taken and carried away; and where there is not sufficient of any such Materials in any such Waste or Common Grounds, as aforesaid, it shall and may be lawful for such Surveyor or Surveyors, by Order of the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, to dig or gather such Materials in, and carry the same away out of, the Grounds of any Person or Persons (not being the Ground whereon any Houses stand, nor a Garden, Orchard, Yard, planted Walk or Walks, or Avenue to any House, nor any Piece or Parcel of Ground set apart and used as a Nursery for Trees) where such Materials are or may be found; and, from time to time, to cause the same to be carried off, or so much thereof as the said Surveyor or Surveyors shall judge necessary for building, repairing, and amending, the Bridge or Bridges aforesaid, paying only for the Damage done to the Owners and Occupiers of the said Grounds respectively where and from whence the same shall be digged, gathered, or taken away, or over which the same shall be carried; the Amount of which Damage shall be settled and ascertained by any Five or more of the Trustees living in the Neighbourhood from which the said Materials are taken; and in case of Difference between such Owners and Occupiers, and the said Trustees, touching such Demands as aforesaid, the Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, shall and may judge and finally determine the same; but such Dispute or Difference shall not, in the mean Time, hinder the using or carrying off the said Materials, and applying them towards building and repairing the said Bridge or Bridges.

Surveyors may dig Gravel, &c. in Waste Grounds, &c.

without paying for the same;

levelling the Pits;

and where there is not sufficient of such Materials to be had there, they may be taken from private Grounds;

making Satisfaction to the Owners of the Ground.

Justices to determine Differences.

And whereas it may be necessary to build a House, and other Conveniencies, for the Collector of the Toll or Pontage of the said Bridge or Bridges, and that a Piece of Ground be vested in the said Trustees, for the aforesaid Use; be it therefore enacted by the Authority aforesaid,

Trustees may purchase Ground for erecting a Toll-h use, &c.

said, That the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, are hereby impowered to contract for, and purchase, any Piece of Ground, not exceeding One Acre, in any Place convenient adjoining to the said Bridge or Bridges; and in case the Proprietor of such Ground refuses to sell the same, at the Price offered, the Sheriff Depute of Renfrew is hereby impowered to appoint Three Heretors in the County of Renfrew to inspect the same, and to fix a reasonable Price thereon; and the Sheriff Depute shall adjudge such Land to the Trustees, upon their paying or consigning in the Sheriff Clerks of Renfrew's Hands, the Price fixed as aforesaid.

If the Bridge by any Accident shall become impassable, Trustees to set up a Ferry.

And whereas it may happen, that the said Bridge or Bridges may, in Times to come, before the Expiration of this Act, receive such Damage by unforeseen Accidents, that the Passage thereof may, for some Time, become dangerous or impracticable; be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in all such Cases it shall and may be lawful for the said Trustees, or their Successors, or any Five or more of them, from time to time, as often as Occasion shall require, to erect or set up any Ferry or Ferries cross the said River or Rivers, at such Place or Places as they shall judge to be most proper and convenient, and as near to the said Bridge or Bridges as conveniently may be, and there to take for Passage over the said River or Rivers, by such Ferry or Ferries, such Rates and Duties, as are granted by this Act for the Toll or Pontage aforesaid; and that all Profits arising from all or any such Ferry or Ferries, after Deduction of the necessary Charges expended in or about the same, which it shall be lawful by Authority of this Act to deduct, shall, from time to time, be paid and applied as the Tolls or Duties granted by this Act are to be paid and applied, and not otherwise.

Ferry to be continued no longer than the Bridge is impassable.

Provided always, That no such Ferry or Ferries shall continue for any longer Time than shall be necessary for repairing or rebuilding the said Bridge, or longer than the Passage thereof shall or may be dangerous and impracticable, as aforesaid.

No Trustee to accept of any Place of Profit arising from the Tolls.

Provided always, That no Person appointed, or to be appointed, a Trustee for putting in Execution this Act, or any of the Trusts or Powers aforesaid, shall be capable of having any Office or Place of Profit arising, or to arise, by any of the Tolls or Pontage aforesaid, or to have any Share or Interest in any Contract or Agreement for effecting the Purposes of this Act; and that the Commissioners

sioners for executing this and the former Acts shall, at all Meetings, bear their own Charges.

Upon Payment of all Debts, &c. Tolls to cease,

Provided always, and be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if, at any Time before the Expiration of this Act, all the Money due upon the Credit of the said Toll or Pontage shall be paid off, and all the Expences of building the said Bridge or Bridges be discharged and satisfied, that then, and in such Case, the said Toll and Pontage shall cease and determine, and be no longer paid; excepting as far as the Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at a General Meeting assembled, shall think needful for keeping the aforesaid Bridge or Bridges in Repair.

except what is sufficient for Repairs.

No Order of a General Meeting to be revoked, &c. unless at a Meeting called for that Purpose.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, at any General Meeting, shall determine in any Matter, or appoint any thing to be done with respect to the said Bridge or Bridges, or concerning the Execution of the Powers hereby committed to them, it shall not be in the Power of a subsequent General Meeting to alter, vary, or annul such Determination, or give any Orders contrary thereto, unless such General Meeting shall be called by an Advertisement in the Glasgow News Papers, Fourteen Days before the Day of the Meeting, signifying the Intent and Purpose of calling such a General Meeting.

Penalties and Forfeitures how to be recovered and applied.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Tolls, Duties, Penalties, and Forfeitures, by this Act imposed, if not directed by this Act to be otherways levied, shall be levied by Distress and Sale of the Offender's Goods and Chattles, by Warrant under the Hands of any Two or more Justices of the Peace of the respective Counties where the Offence shall be committed, or where the Offender shall reside, in the Option of the Trustees, or of the Person or Persons authorized by them to levy such Distress; and the Persons distraining such Goods and Chattles are hereby authorized and impowered, after the Space of Four Days after such Distress shall be made and taken, to sell the Goods so distrained by publick Auction, at the nearest Turnpike or Toll-house to the Place where such Distress shall be made or taken, and return the Overplus-money (if any be) upon Demand, to the Owners of such Goods and Chattles, after such Tolls, Duties, Penalties, and Forfeitures, with the reasonable Charges of distraining, keeping, and selling the same, shall be deducted and paid; and the said Forfeitures, when recovered, if not otherwise directed to be applied by this Act, shall be applied, One Moiety to

the Informer, and the other Moiety towards carrying this Act into Execution, as the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, shall direct.

Persons aggrieved may appeal to the Quarter Sessions.

And be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall think him or themselves aggrieved, by any Order or other Proceeding of the said Trustees, it shall and may be lawful for him or them to appeal to the Justices of the Peace of the County, where the Ground or Occasion of such Complaint or Appeal is given, at their General Quarter Sessions assembled, who are hereby authorized and impowered to hear and determine the Matter in Dispute; and whose Order therein shall be final and conclusive, without any further or other Appeal.

Publick Act.

And be it further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act shall be taken and allowed, in all Courts within this Kingdom, as a Publick Act; and all Judges and Justices are hereby required to take Notice thereof as such, without specially pleading the same.

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